Percentage of Visuals In News Bulletin Telecasts on DD.

2392. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of visuajs/recordjng live'or post incidents of events in a news bulletin telecast over DD; and

(b) whether any comparison of the percentage of visuals has been made with news bulletin telecast by other news channels such as BBC, Scar News,. CNN etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITELY): (a) Prasar Bharti has intimated the visuals of live or recorded events, in a news bulletin, constitute on an average 62.5% of telecast time.

(b) No, Sir.

Community TV sets for backward villages in Bihar

2393. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have provided funds to State Government of Bihar for installing Community viewing TV sets in the backward villages of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last five years, y#ar-wi$e and the number of Community TV sets installed each year; and

(c) if answer to part (a) above in the negative, the reasons therefor and remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN MITELY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Installation and maintenance of community viewing TV sets